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Rachel Pulkys, 9, gives it her all during the toy tractor pull at the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair on Saturday morning before the fair was closed due to severe thunderstorms and flooding. See more photos on page 4, JADAM FRISK Special to the *Echo*



Ethel Curry Gallery to close permanently

VIVIAN COLLINGS

Editor

A piece of Haliburton history will be shutting its glass door and locking up, indefinitely, in just two months.

The era of the Ethel Curry Gallery is coming to an end on Oct. 20, despite the heartache of owner Wayne Hooks, fellow employees, and community members.

"The writing was on the wall last year, and it was chiseled into the wall by March of this year," said woodworker. "We don't want to close it, but it's just at an unsustainable point."

Hooks said the gallery isn't making enough income to stay open. As a privately owned, privately funded gallery, the direct cause is "not selling enough paintings on the walls." "I think art is really important to community, and I think it's really sad and awful that this gallery isn't going to be here anymore. To have something that has been part of the community for 28

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Closure a 'reflection of the times,' says owner

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years, to have people coming in and sav, 'see you next summer,' and then we have to tell them they won't, it's heartbreaking, and it's a signal of something way bigger happening," said Poet Ever, employee of the Ethel Curry Gallery.

Ethel Curry was a pioneer of Halibur-

Born in 1902, "A descendant of generations of exploring timber men, Ethel had been preceded by a history of creative endeavors and strong independent

minds," reads the gallery website.

She became one of the first women to study at Ontario College of Art and Design and learned from members of the Group of Seven "including A.E.H. MacDonald, Franz Johnson, Lauren Harris and A.Y. Jackson. She was hired by Arthur Lismer to teach art at the Toronto Art Gallery (now the Art Gallery of Ontario). Ethel was recognized by her instructors at OCA as painting like Tom Thomson long before she met or worked with any of the Group of Seven.'

Despite worldwide endeavours, she always found her way back home to Hal-

The gallery was first opened in 1996 when Hooks, a woodworker who had just moved to the area, was approached by Peter and Jody Curry.

Nephew of Ethel, Peter asked Hooks if he would like to be involved in opening a store for local artists.

"At first, it was all local artists, maybe eight or 10. And then over the years, it grew so that our policy is the artists have to be Canadian. Right now as it stands,



owner Wayne Hooks, employee Poet Ever, and gallery pup Sprocket pose for a photo in their favourite room in the gallery. /VIVIAN COLLINGS Staff

Ethel Curry Gallery

40 per cent are local, 90 per cent are from Ontario, and we have between 80 and 100," Hooks said.

Although the world has only recently emerged from a global pandemic, Hooks said he doesn't think COVID-19 is to

"Part of the reality is that this is a small market. In July and August, the market expands, but the other 10 months of the year, it's a small market," he said. "Market saturation is one thing, but it's high interest rates, perhaps a recession, but I think it also has a lot to do with what I call the global cloud. There's nothing in here anyone has to buy. I think that's why we've hit the cement block at the end of the road."

He said the closure was not a chosen decision for himself or any of the employees.

İt's basically arithmetic and numbers. Last year was a poor year for us. There's no one factor, but I think it all ate away at the tiny margin we have. It's a reflection of the times," Hooks said.

He said this is not a reflection of Haliburton itself, and the arts community is very much still alive and thriving.

"There's very few small towns in Can-

ada that have as good of an art scene as us. And I think that's still flourishing, but on the financial side, it was never

strong," Hooks said.
In his letter to all the artists that showappointing and sad, but understandable."

In total, the gallery has housed the work of 250 artists.

"The gallery's had a huge impact on my life, and I've been able to make a lot of connections with different people, and I've learned so much," Poet said.

Rotary car draw winner

Ray Shaw, second from right, had the winning ticket of Haliburton Rotary's annual car draw, driving home last week with his new 2023 Chevrolet Colorado. He was sold the winning ticket by Andy Glecoff, left, and is pictured with Rotarian Heather Phillips, his wife, Alice, and Curry Chevrolet general manager Bob Bullock. /DAVID ZILSTRA Staff

Program shows demand for septic services exceeds resources

JAMES MATTHEWS

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Dysart septic system inspectors are experiencing more no-show property owners than they'd like to see.

Inspectors undertaking the Septic Maintenance Inspection Program attempted to tend to more than 350 properties on 14 lakes in June. And that figure includes property-owner no-shows, Brianna Quinn, the sewage system maintenance program supervisor, told township council July 25.

She said inspectors have covered every lake within their boundaries with at least

After eight weeks of property visits, Quinn said there's been attempts at 524 inspections. Officials had visited 18 lakes in just 38 days in May and June, she said.

To date, 202 out of 524 properties have fully completed their inspection process and remedial actions to bring their properties into compliance.

Quinn told council there have been many absent owners and unprepared properties. However, she wrote in a report to council, inspectors have noticed people are complying with remedial action requirements in a timely manner.

"We are grateful for the people who are willingly participating and complying with the program, making this important task easier to manage," she wrote.

"We are getting lots of great feedback on our inspectors' presence and knowledge in the field which gives us confidence that they are representing Dysart with their best foot forward."

Mayor Murray Fearrey asked if there's been a backlog in requests for inspections.

The demand on the industry is huge right now," Quinn said. "We are noticing a very large demand on the industry with regards to our program but also all of the neighbouring programs that are taking place at the same time."

She said gears are being shifted to slow the program in the coming years and not

tackle quite as many properties.

"To hopefully provide the opportunity for the industry to catch up a bit to us,"

Basically, a large number of septic remediation orders hoisted upon property owners county-wide who have a small pool of contractors from which to hire creates a bottleneck that hinders eve-

"It's frustrating when you can't get a septic for two years," Fearrey said.

'It's not just the installs and repairs, said Karl Korpela, the township's chief building official. "But it's also about the pump-outs. The industry just can't keep up with the number of pump-outs that

"Between new growth and regular maintenance the old septic inspection program, which is what the community needs, is critical mass for people and equipment," said Councillor Pat Casey. 'We're definitely stretched, for sure."

"I see the truck going all the time," Fearrey said. "It never quits."

Food network calls for more volunteers

JAMES MATTHEWS

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Volunteer recruitment has become a priority at the Central Food Network.

The network is the result of the amalgamation of the Cardiff Community Food Bank and the Highlands East Food Hub. A contingent of about 70 staff and volunteers keep the organization ticking.

But, as Dysart township council heard when it met July 25, more help is needed.

Nancy Wright-Laking, chairperson of the network's board, and Tina Jackson, executive director, provided council with an overview of the network.

The CFN does more than address food insecurity in eastern Dysart and Highlands East, which comprises the eastern reaches of Haliburton County. The network also focuses on alleviating the impact of energy poverty throughout Haliburton County as a whole.

"All these staff and volunteers work very long hours to address food and heat insecurity," Wright-Laking said. "As many other charities are finding, more volunteers are needed."

The network's Heat Bank services aims to support county households that are experiencing a heat- or hydro-related crisis. Families can avail of furnace fuel grants and firewood for heating emergencies, assistance to apply for grants for relief, assistance filing taxes, and help with the various programs.

As many as 216 calls for assistance were fielded at the heat bank last year and 156 households were helped. As many as 53 loads of fire wood was dispersed.

ing scale toward providing help depending on the crisis level and the individual household's specific needs.

"These are clearly challenging times for people in our community, from young to old alike," Jackson said.

Jackson said giving a household \$500 worth of propane or furnace oil would last only about a few weeks.

"We really want to try to make sure that they have some additional supports to better withstand the increased costs and weather through living in poverty," Jackson said.

Those supports are found by way of referrals to other service providers. Benefit screening is done to gauge income and circumstances to better identify other resources that will either increase their income or reduce their costs.

The CFN has offered free income tax filing for lower income households that have a simple tax return. It's a program offered by Revenue Canada and hosted locally by the network.

Last year, the CFN helped people file 58 income tax returns.

On the food services side, the CFN offers one-time emergency food assistance and regular food hampers. They helped 208 households access food and fed 194 people monthly. They did 180 food deliveries and prepared 4,441 meals.

In Highlands East, the low-income rate is at about 13 per cent, said Jackson.

'We know that those are folks struggling every single month to put food on the table," she said.

For many of those people, the only food going into their households is food pro-

"They just literally are working with deficit budgets," she said. "They have no

Wright-Laking said nobody believes there will be stability in the months to come. The network is stretching every dollar, every square foot of floor space. Finding revenue streams is a continuous

Likewise, more volunteers are needed to ensure a succession plan to continue a steady service stream amidst turnover in the volunteer ranks.

"One of our largest areas of need is for new board members," Wright-Laking

She asked councillors to spread the word of that need among their contacts

Dysart to sell vacant land parcel in August

JAMES MATTHEWS

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Dysart has started the process to sell a parcel of vacant land as a means to collect unpaid taxes.

The property's 2023 assessment has its value pegged at \$27,000. And council heard when it met July 25 that there's an outstanding balance due of \$4,965.

Barbara Swannell, the township's treasurer, said even though there's just under \$5,000 owing on the property, there are additional administration and advertising fees that apply.

The advertised minimum tender amount is \$8,139.

"We've gone through the due diligence process of this property qualifying for the tax sale," Swannell said. "Legislatively, it has to be advertised four consecutive weeks before the tax sale date."

The sale closing date is Aug. 17. A tax sale is the process followed by a municipality to recover unpaid property taxes through the sale of the property in arrears. By the time a property is eligible for the tax sale, property taxes are at least in their third year of arrears.

In following certain legislation, the municipality registers a Tax Arrears Certificate if any portion of property taxes remain unpaid for two years prior to Jan.

The certificate's registration indicates the property will be sold if taxes, penalties, interest, and reasonable costs incurred by the municipality are not paid within one year of registration of the cer-

Once a certificate has been registered, partial payments cannot be accepted. But, if township council gives the OK, an extension agreement may be arranged with the property owner prior to the expiry of the one-year period.



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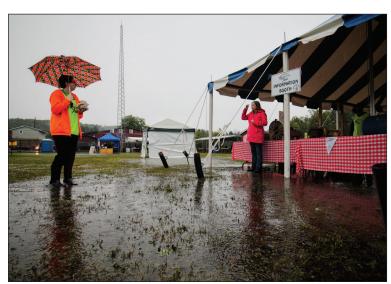
Rained-out at the fair

"The Biggest Little Fair Around!" took place in Wilberforce on Friday and Saturday where fair-goers took in entertainment, food and family fun. Unfortunately, organizers had to shut down the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair on Saturday afternoon after relentless rain and thunderstorms flooded the fairgrounds. /ADAM FRISK Special to the Echo





Aliyah Cox enjoys some cotton candy on Saturday at the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair.



Event organizers make the difficult decision to cancel the remainder of the fair on Saturday as a result of the

Event staff and fair-goers run for shelter as the skies opened up for the remainder of the morning, forcing organizers to pull the plug on the day's events.



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In memory of Patrick Monaghan, ambassador of the blues

VIVIAN COLLINGS

Editor

If you knew him, there's one thing we can all agree on: we were lucky to exist at the same time as Patrick Mona-

The Canoe FM Buckslide Blues Cruise host's grin and signature thumbs up, with a firecracker personality to go with them, are being mourned by the local community as well as the blues lovers across the country.

"He just connected with everybody he came in touch with. He's one of those guys that as soon as you get talking to him, you consider him a friend, and he would do anything for anybody," said friend of Monaghan's and fellow member of the Buckslide Blues Society, Rusty

Monaghan passed away on Tuesday, July 25 after a long battle with cancer. Exactly a week before, he was in the studio at Canoe FM, broadcasting his profound love of the blues for the last time, his 371st show.

"When he was diagnosed with cancer four years ago, he told us time and time again this radio station kept him going. It gave him a purpose and drive. Some days you could tell he was so tired, and he still did it all. We've lost such an amazing person," said Canoe FM station manager Roxanne Casey.

Production technician Ron Murphy worked closely with Monaghan during his numerous interviews with musicians and blues festival organizers and said it was remarkable to watch the host exude so much energy and passion despite being ill.

"He did it old school. He had so much music at home, so what he would do is to put his show together he would put all of his music on one or two CDs. He worked off a CD player - I tried to get him into using a USB instead of a CD player I don't know how many times," Murphy laughed.

But that was Monaghan, determined and dedicated. He devoted full days to put together his two-hour

Canoe FM program each week, writing a script for the entire show, with notes on each specific song.

"He was a fabulous host - host isn't even the right word - just an advocate for blues all across Canada. You mention Patrick Monaghan to some of these blues musicians and all of them knew exactly who you were talking about," Casey said.

Monaghan was a multi-award winner, with three Best Blues Show of the Year awards from the National Campus and Community Radio Association and a Toronto Maple Blues Society award for Best Blues Booster of the Year in 2022 on his shelf.

Monaghan would frequently travel to Memphis, Tennessee, where his name is now permanently on the sidewalk of Beale Street, the "blues street of the world," for his Maple Blues award.

"It's hard to even explain how well-known he was,"

Rustenberg remarked on Monaghan's humble nature. "Three weeks before he passed, he got a call from an international podcast. They wanted him to join their program so his Buckslide Blues show would be played worldwide. He was shocked to be invited to part of that team. It's like being invited to the NHL for DJs. Unfortunately his health had declined, but the honour of being asked really touched him.'

Murphy hosted a tribute Buckslide Blues Cruise show in Monaghan's honour on Tuesday, Aug. 1, one week after he passed. Monaghan had prepared all the songs ahead of time.



Canoe FM announcer Patrick Monaghan is pictured doing what he loved most, hosting his Buckslide Blues Cruise show in the studio. /FILE

"Ron was having some technical difficulties, and he said over the years he would get calls from Pat having problems in the studio. Pat always said, 'There's gremlins in there, Ron.' So when Ron did the show, sure enough he had problems, so I sent him a message and said, 'Pat's giving you a grin and a thumbs up for the great show, and he's also saying, 'I told you those gremlins were real,'" Rustenberg laughed.

He said even if Monaghan was very unwell and tired, when the light came on in the Canoe FM booth, it's like a switch flipped inside him.

"It was sure something to witness. Canoe FM was like home and family to him," Rustenberg said.

Buckslide Blues Society

After hosting their very first concert in 2018, "Pat said 'Let's form a blues society' because there was a void here in the Highlands, so we put our heads together and came up with Buckslide Blues Society, and it was Patrick's

dream to get that going," Rustenberg said.
After some COVID-19 delays, the Buckslide Blues Society is up and running with two projects under its belt, both near and dear to Monaghan.

"Patrick wanted to promote blues music for youth. Grand River Blues Society has a youth camp where professional blues musicians teach skills at a four-day camp, and once the kids are done the four days, they perform at Kitchener Blues Fest," Rustenberg said.

The Buckslide Blues Society ended up hosting a talent contest at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in

"We selected three or four students to go. All contestants got received the Patrick Monaghan Award. Any profits we make from things we do this year we hope to be able to use to send more kids next year," Rustenberg

The second project important to Monaghan was the Music Revival Project.

The society was able to purchase 11 noise-cancelling headphone sets for use in senior residences.

'We had learned that those with dementia responded



well to music therapy. We've had one trial run so far with really positive results," Rustenberg said.

The society plans on continuing both projects.

Haliburton Highlands Blues Festival

The first-ever Haliburton Highlands Blues Festival was another dream of Monaghan's that has come to fruition.

The festival held at the Logging Museum in Haliburton Forest was to be MCed by Monaghan, and is now a tribute to the "blues guru."

It begins on Friday, Aug. 25 with the Forest Festival presenting Jenie Thai and Sandra Bouza.

From noon to 10 p.m. on Saturday, The Smoke Wagon Blues Band, Jim Dan Dee, Rosie's Smokehouse Deluxe, The Swingin' Blackjacks, The Erin McCallum Band, Chuckee Zehr & Cheryl Lescom, Erin McCallum & Teddy Leonard, and Sean Cotton & Tamica Herod will perform.

Tickets for Friday are available at www.haliburtonforest.com and tickets for Saturday can be purchased at www.haliburtonfolk.com.

"He enjoyed life and he enjoyed music," Rustenberg said. "He accomplished all of this with a Canoe FM hat or shirt on, and that big grin on his face. I think that's what I'll miss the most.





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A sunset illumnates storm clouds over the Burnt River

by Vivian Collings

End of an era for **Ethel Curry Gallery**

T'S TRUE what they say, "You don't know what you have **⊥**until it's gone."

Or in this case, nearly gone. The Ethel Curry Gallery has been a pillar in this community for nearly

30 years. Longer than I've existed. Twenty eight years later, and we only have two months left to soak in its splendour.

When I sat down with the gallery's owner, Wayne Hooks, to learn more about the closure,

I asked what brought him to the decision, and he quickly replied, "Unfortunately, it wasn't a decision.'

Its conclusion, he fears, is part of a bigger shift in the world.

If only love and support alone could keep art on its walls and its door open to custom-

But like everything else in this market economy, the fate of the business relies

on outside forces of supply and demand - a pair of hands unsympathetic, even when a business has been a community pillar for almost a third of a century.

The gallery named after Ethel Curry herself, a trailblazer for art in the Highlands, hasn't had a problem with supply.

With close to 100 artists at all times, and nearly half being local artists, it's no secret that fine art and the hands that create it aren't hard to find in Haliburton County.

But demand?

Where's the demand?

Hooks said he's spoken with artists that have their work on display in Muskoka, and they can't keep their pieces on the shelves and walls because they're selling so quickly. And I guess it makes sense.

It's been named the "Malibu of the North" by the New York Times a community sodden with the rich and famous.

Haliburton has its fair share, too. But whether or not we will become the "next Muskoka," it doesn't change the fact that 12.9 per cent of households here are considered low income.

> For those who may not be considered "low income," life is expensive for all, and getting more so everyday.

"When it costs \$1,000 to rent a room, it's hard to justify buying art for your walls," said Poet Ever, Ethel Curry Gallery employee and local artist. "There's a lot of easily-produced art products right now. People are being expected to charge a lower rate for things

they make to keep up with other products being made cheaply and quickly. It's just not a really great market for people whose entire livelihood is slow work and handmade items."

Writing the story about the gallery was beyond bittersweet - it definitely felt more bitter than sweet to learn about it's sad end.

As Hooks said, yes, we don't need to buy art, but I don't think being able to support local artists and galleries should be a luxury.

I don't have the answers, but I do know art is an important part of our culture and identity here. One that we can all benefit from and contribute to, in a perfect world.



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arry looked so handsome, dressed up in his dress pants and white shirt.

Margaret was radiant in her colourful outfit. They were so happy to be out. I had the pleasure of sitting with them at the Abbey Gardens John McDermott & Band concert.

Larry and Margaret were out for the evening to celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary.

Sitting with them was a delight. They are kind, attentive, happy, and in love people. It was a beau-

tiful evening, and we were all sitting in the big tent that sits in a field surrounded by beauty.

There were huge Cumulonimbus clouds filling the sky. It is such a peaceful place for a concert. It felt magi-

The opening act was two men from the USA called Peter Porcelain and the American Standard. It was their first time in Haliburton and they were so happy

to have been hosted by such kind people and performing in a really beautiful venue.

Margaret, Larry, Jim and I were taking it all in. Before John came out to perform, Margaret told me that she has been listening to John's music for years and years and this was her first time seeing him live.

She was excited. She explained that her favourite song was called

Šhe hoped he would sing it. We listened to the opening band, we ate some snacks, had a drink and settled into our seats.

As we waited for the show to begin, I found myself thinking about

the things that we do to manage our inner well-being, our inner happiness and why that is important, especially being married to the same person for 56 years.

Each of us has to manage our inner well being if we want to stay in a relationship. We have to manage our happiness. I know for myself, one thing I do is to pay attention, really soak in and savour moments when I am in joy, in beauty, in good company.

I could feel that all of us were

savouring this magical evening. We are just so lucky to have these opportunities that fill our souls. Moments like these make us feel happier and that has got to be good for a marriage.

Soon enough John and his band got onto the stage and the show began. To Margaret's delight, his opening song was Voyage, which tells a love story about being in a relationship, "I'm a sailor and you're my first

mate," and how they set off to sail determined not to fail.

"They ride out storms and the doldrum in patience and hope. Working together they learn how to cope." The chorus was "life is an ocean, love is a boat. In troubled waters it keeps us afloat."

There could not have been a more perfect song sung for these two love birds sitting beside me. Through their 56 years I am sure they have had lots of delight and lots of heartache.

But they have continued to sail. Continued to love. Continued to savour these moments that fill us up and give us the strength to carry on.





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points of view

Great moments in sales

THE OTHER day, I heard someone refer to a person as a 'great salesperson."

I just shook my head and chuckled.

I'm sure the person was quite competent and very persuasive. I also do not doubt that the person in question was charismatic and knew how to talk to people and evaluate their needs and willingness to buy

But here's the thing. Salespeople these days – for the most part

I'm not suggesting that sometimes their products are not difficult to sell. Or that the market is always receptive to what they are offering. I know there is a lot of competition out there, and sales, as a rule, is not easy.

All I am saying is that most salespeople these days are standing on the shoulders of the true sales pioneers. Take, for example, the fellow who sold the first earrings.

Now that's a salesperson.

Think about it. A woman is sitting in a hut in the middle of Sumeria around 2500 B.C. plucking a scrawny chicken for dinner. Suddenly, there's a knock on the door.

"Hello," she says, as she answers it.



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"Good morning, madame," a slick salesman responds. "How would you like to get in on the ground floor of a fashion trend that is sure to catch on?"

"We bought a wooden club last

week," she replies.
"Madame," he replies. "I'm not selling clubs. I'm selling something far more useful. They're called ear-

rings..."
"What do they do?" she asks. "They hang from your ear lobes,"

"To make you more attractive," he

says.
"How can hanging something from your ears make a person more attractive?" she asks.

"Well, we haven't invented dental care yet, so earrings distract others from looking at your rotting teeth," he replies. "Which, I might add, are lovely by rotting teeth standards.

Interesting. Do you tie them on?'

"No," he replies.

"Do you glue them on?"

"No," he smiles.

"Do they fit over your ears?"

"No," he repeats.

"Well, how are they attached?"

The salesman then explains that earrings are installed by a new process called piercing – in which, the salesman uses a sharp object to create an unnatural hole in the customer's ear and then the earring is affixed through it.

"It's a military technology that we are now putting to good use in the civilian world," he adds.

"So, let me get this straight, you want to pierce my ear lobe

with a sharp object so we can put the "earring" through it?" she asks. "And then I pay you for it?"

Later, as the woman's husband comes home, she says, "Notice anything different?"

"Your ears are bleeding profusely," he replies. "And some-

thing's hanging from them."

"They're called earrings," she says. "I got two for the price of a scrawny chicken."

'Thať looks painful," he says.

"The salesman said it would only be for a few days," she

That's when he notices that she lost a tooth.

And she smiles even more because it wasn't the first thing he

"The salesman was right," she said as she explains her joy. Then she tells her partner that, according to the salesman, earrings also protect you from demons, improve your eyesight, cure headaches, and have mysterious medicinal powers.

"But they are just little hoops with feathers attached to it," he says as he examines them. "It seems silly to me. And it cost us a scrawny chicken... I'm going to have a talk with that guy."

Ten minutes later, he returns with a matching necklace.



pic of the past

tudents pose for a photo circa 1950 at the school previously located where the Gardens of Haliburton overlook Head Lake Park today. From back left, David Chambers, Jack Holland, Ken Plourde, and front left, Jim Pierson, Sharon Parish, Joan Sproat, Janet Woodcock, Betty Hodgson, and Murray Fry. /Submitted

letters to the editor

Farewell Ethel Curry

To the Editor,

I have been a seasonal visitor to Haliburton since childhood – more than 60 years.

This extraordinary place is very dear to me for many and varied reasons; one of which is its attraction and celebration of artisans of many stripes who honour the wonders of the Highlands in their work.

A much anticipated event on our visits is always a trip to see the latest offerings at Ethel Curry and to hear from Wayne about the new artists on board. We treasure gallery finds that keep Haliburton present in our home.

We follow Haliburton happenings through our year round subscription to the Echo and thus knew that the Gallery had been struggling during and since the pandemic. We were surprised

and disappointed some years ago when the Art Hive ceased to operate, and now the unthinkable is happening – Ethel Curry, the matriarch gallery, will be closing her doors in October.

For us this will leave a gaping hole in Haliburton; a community that has distinguished itself for many reasons, not the least of which is the nurturing and celebration of its artists.

Wayne Hooks, the gallery owner has been a faithful steward and quiet promoter of local makers for a long time – longer, I suspect, than was in his best interest.

Thank you Wayne - Farewell Ethel Curry your loss will be felt.

> **Deirdre and Barry Finlay** Haliburton

Call to MP for public discussion

To the Editor,

I was disappointed to receive MP Jamie urvey' on electoral reform in the mail.

I understand the special committee struck to recommend changes to the Canadian voting system requested all members of Parliament to consult with their constituents about reforming the system, preferably with a town hall meeting

However the material sent by MP Schmale is not an announcement of a consultative public meeting. Instead it is a call for a referendum and appears designed to alarm voters that the government is trying to ride roughshod over democracy.

If MP Schmale is truly interested in people participating in the electoral reform process, v hold a well-publicized meeting open to everyone where all voting options are openly debated? Then that information can be passed on to the electoral committee, as requested.

> **Sharon Lynch** Haliburton

Letters to the Editor note: Submissions are subject to editing for newspaper style and punctuation.

Exploring the world through education

CHRISTINE CARR

Staff Reporter

As Lily Manning enters her Grade 12 year at HHSS, she is beginning the year with a new adventurous spirit and one extra English credit. Having just participated in a summer study abroad program with MEI International Academy, she spent 25 days this summer exploring the world and broadening her knowledge.

MEI International Academy is a program in which students from across the country travel to destinations around the world while obtaining credits for their High School diploma. Through the pro-gram, Lily obtained an English credit while visiting Athens, Tolo, and Olympia in Greece, as well as the Amalfi Coast and Rome in Italy.

"I learned various things to do with English; we studied stories and poetry and did assignments such as book analysis and retelling of myths. We also learned a lot about the history of Italy and Greece, and explored the culture there," said Lily.

Learning about the program from a friend who participated the year prior, Lily recommends it to anyone interested in traveling and broadening their hori-

"I would for sure recommend this program to others. It was a great experience which gave me a chance to make new friends and explore new countries, with the benefit of getting a high school credit, and the food was delicious," said Lily about her experience.

Some of her favourite moments

she could have only had in these amazing destinations, such as visiting timeless historical locations and experiencing first hand unique cultures.

"I really enjoyed visiting some of the tourist attractions such as the Trevi fountain in Rome, or the Acropolis in Athens, seeing these things in person was a super cool experience. I also loved getting to swim in Tolo. One day we did a swim out to an island with a private beach and it was super fun, we all enjoyed it. It was super interesting just to learn about the history of the places we visited," said Lily.

Although the workload kept her on her toes, she experienced unique opportunities to connect the classroom with the greater world around her.

The workload could be difficult at times but it was always manageable and there was still time to go out and explore. The work that we did was different because it was centred around the places we were visiting. Our course readings were books such as the Iliad and the Odyssey, both epics about Greek history, and Julius Caesar, which is about Roman history, so it was interesting to study these books while being in the countries they were set," said Lily.

The program's motto is, "The world is our classroom" and that was certainly true for Lily, who experienced firsthand the magic of learning and living in new cultures and history. She will be bringing these once-in-a-lifetime experiences back with her as she returns to HHSS in the fall, all the richer for the new experiences and friendships she made along the way.



Music at the Gardens

Juno Award winning Inuk singer-songwriter Susan Aglukark closed out "Music at the Gardens" on Sunday evening, wrapping up the third annual musical event at Abbey Gardens in Haliburton County. /ADAM FRISK special to the *Echo*





The Movie Man ready for release

EMILY STONEHOUSE

Staff Reporter

Many have heard murmurings of the much-awaited Movie Man documentary coming out soon. The film, which features the beloved Highlands Cinema in Kinmount and the heart and soul behind the movies, Keith Stata, was started in 2018

by Matt Finlin of Door Knocker Media.
"What started as a little project evolved into this entire feature film," Finlin told the *Echo*. With a cottage on Maple Lake, Finlin spent much of his childhood attending the Kinmount Theatre. This was the space where he fell in love with the magic of movies, prompting a lifelong passion and career.

"Yes, it's about the little idiosyncrasies of this little theatre, and yes, it's about the experience of going to the movies, but what it's really about is one man's passion for providing this experience to others."

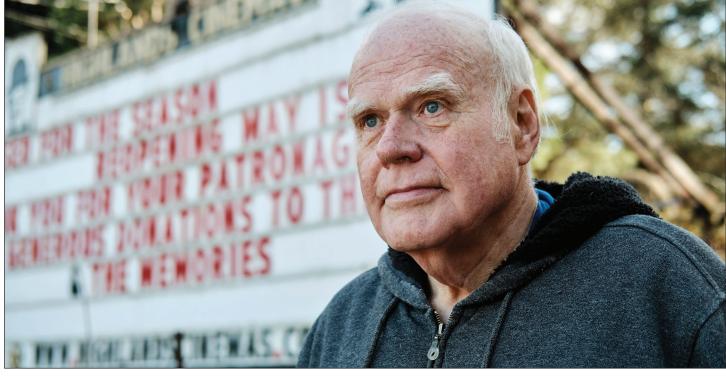
The theatre opened its doors over 40 years ago, and has offered a wacky and whimsical experience to accompany each movie-going adventure. The halls are lined with relics from years gone by; moments in time that capture the history of film, and photos and images of days gone by. It's always recommended that viewers show up to the film early, to take in the sights, scenes, and smells of the theatre ahead of time.

The efforts of Stata encompass the theatre as more than a singular experience; it suddenly becomes multi-dimensional and resonates with a lasting impact.

This is what caught Finlin's attention when he was 12 years old, setting foot for the first time in Highlands Cinema to watch Terminator 2: Judgment Day. "It's really such a special place," said Finlin.
Having started in 2018, the film had

some highs and lows in production, with one big question mark landing on the pandemic years, when, for the first time since opening, the theatre needed to shut its doors.

As it turns out, this ended up being a blessing for Finlin. "During COVID, we really saw the stakes of what's going to happen. To this theatre, and to the whole



Keith Stata, the founder and owner of Highlands Cinema in Kinmount, is the main focus of the upcoming documentary film, The Movie Man, which was just completed. /Photo by Scott Ramsay

movie industry," he said. This realization cast a shining light on the central theme to the film: the concept of time.

"We started to really focus on how we use our time," Finlin said, as he became acutely aware of how movie viewing became a choice, and the people who choose to see the movies can become a part of this experience offered at Highlands Theatre.

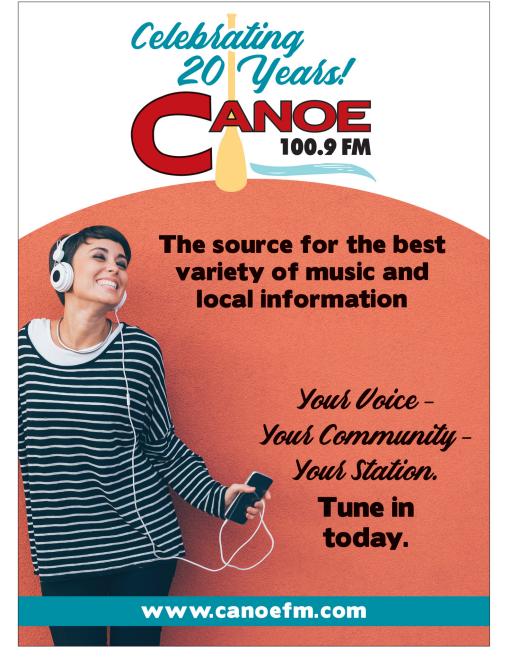
Finlin has been receiving praise from around the world on the film so far, with Ed Roberston, the singer from the Barenaked Ladies, loving the theatre and stepping on as the co-producer, and Martin Sheen viewing the film, and offering to present it at film festivals around the

He also noted the support he received locally, highlighting how wonderful it was to work with Stata, as well as Roland Hamilton, who works at Highlands Cinema, and is "fundamental in keeping the theatre alive," said Finlin.

While Finlin is eager to get the film in front of local eyes so that viewers recognize these familiar faces, he noted that showing the film publicly would disqualify him from international film festivals, and as an independent filmmaker, he is relies on these festivals to get the word out. "We are aiming for it to land somewhere by the end of September," he said, noting that the film was just completed two weeks ago.

While locals may have to wait to see the film, they can keep up with the buzz by visiting www.moviemanfilm.com for all the updates. "I am incredibly proud of it," said Finlin. "It's funny, it's touching, and it just hits on all those reasons that we love going to these movies."





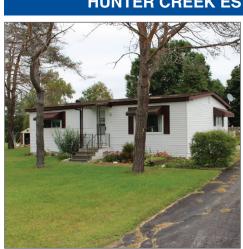
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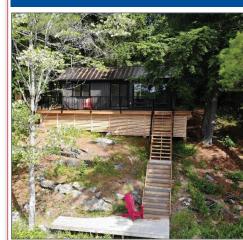


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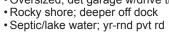
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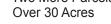
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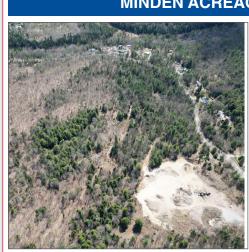


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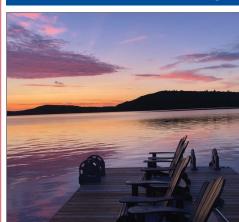


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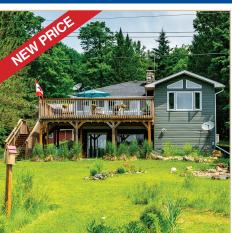


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Radiothon supports HHHS Community Support Services transportation needs

The 17th Annual Highlands Health Radiothon will return on Aug. 17 and 18 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., on 93.5 MooseFM. The Highlands Health Radiothon is fundraising in support of HHHS Community Support Service transportation needs – helping to ensure residents can get to and from life-saving medical appointment.

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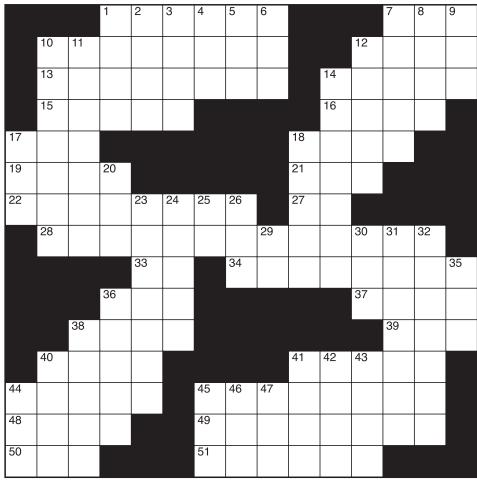
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Type of crayon
- 7. Fashion accessory
- 10. Most cerebral
- 12. Incline from vertical
- 13. Dependent on
- 14. Broken in
- 15. Strongly desires
- 16. Mounted soldier
- 17. Ad __: when necessary
- 18. Cattle
- 19. Ottoman military commanders
- 21. __ student, learns healing
- 22. Composed in poetic meter
- 27. Promotional material
- 28. Where people live 33. Sodium
- 34. Embarrassing
- 36. Medical man
- 37. Mother of Hermes
- 38. One who saves the day
- 39. Tooth caregiver
- 40. Not clothed
- 41. Slope covered with loose stones
- 44. Used to cook
- 45. Praises enthusiastically
- 48. Rooney is a famous one
- 49. Beekeeper
- 50. Pigpen
- 51. Potato chip brand

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Living quarters
- 2. Horizontal passage
- 3. Attacks

- 4. Vietnamese offensive
- 5. Midway between east and southeast
- 6. Confined (abbr.)
- 7. Book of Esther antagonist
- 8. Port in Yemen
- CNNÕs founder
- 10. Type of bulb 11. Prepare
- 12. Promoted
- 14. Dinner jackets
- 17. Partner to cheese
- 18. Nebraska city 20. Human gene
- 23. Pays no attention to
- 24. Lowland South American plain
- 25. Blood group
- 26. Mauna ___, Hawaiian volcano
- 29. Atomic #37
- 30. Unit of electrical resistance
- 31. Jeweled crowns
- 32. Nastiest
- 35. Traditional cars need it
- 36. Bowler hat
- 38. Robust
- 40. Not straight
- 41. Stony waste matter
- 42. Have an interest in
- 43. Jacob ___, journalist
- 44. Maintains possession of
- 45. Swiss river
- 46. Average cost of market goods
- 47. Spanish soldier: El __

Answers on page 13

Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) Community Support Services helps seniors and adults living with disabilities travel to and from medicallyrequired appointments and social services. The need for transportation within the county is ever increasing and the current fleet of vehicles is not meeting the demand. The support and access these vehicles provide are vitally important for the health and wellbeing of our most vulnerable population. Community Support Services (CSS) primary goal is to support their clients in maintaining and/or improving their independence as long as they wish to remain home. The CSS transportation team is often the first point of contact for those in need of services. We are raising funds to increase the fleet of reliable vehicles to meet the increased need and to ensure people can attend vital medical and social services appointments. Amanda Rowden, Client Service Manager and Community Liaison for Community Support Services, Adult Day Program, Assisted Living and Supportive Housing said "We have seen a 30 per cent increase in individual appointments since last year, and we are having to tell people we are unable to provide transportation in their time of need. Transportation is a major barrier for many folks in the county to receive vital health care services including cancer care, dialysis, day surgeries and mental health supports. The community needs more than what we have on the road right now."

10,712 trips

Stats

Current fleet: 2015- Mercedes Benz - with wheelchair conversion, passenger vehicle

2016-Chevy City Express LT - Meals on

Wheels cargo van 2018-Dodge Promaster - with wheelchair conversion, passenger vehicle

of passenger trips April 2021 to March 2022 - 7335 trips April 2022 to March 2023 - 8489 trips April 2023 to June 2023 - 2678 trips PROJECTED April 2023 to March 2024 -

Executive Director, Melanie Klodt Wong shares, "This is a strong community that supports each other and HHHS Community Support Services does an amazing job of helping people stay in their homes as long as possible, providing vital services for vulnerable seniors and adults. These services are bolstered by the unwavering volunteer drivers and staff who help people get to appointments – but it is not enough. We are hoping to bring together this tightknit community and visitors alike to support local health care needs in Haliburton County.

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation staff and volunteers are excited to partner with 93.5 MooseFM to bring awareness to one of the many areas of local health care that needs our financial support. Together, let's use this two-day event to celebrate access to transportation with those who live, play and listen in Haliburton County.

Please encourage your friends, neighbours and communities to support! Join us by listening, donating, presenting a challenge or providing a prize to encourage others to pledge their support.

How you can participate:

Call to donate: 705-457-1580

Donate online: https://www.hhhs.ca/ foundation/give

Sponsor an hour: call now while supplies last

Spread the word: Amplify our reach by sharing our posts on social media. You can find us on Facebook @hhhsf and on Instagram @hhhsfoundation

Join us onsite at 152 Highland Street and tune in to 93.5 MooseFM for a funfilled 2-day marathon of supporting folks who love to live in Haliburton County. Together, we can make a difference in our community's health services.

> Submitted by the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation



What's new at the Sculpture Forest?

Grove Collective Dances Through the Haliburton Sculpture Forest

On Aug. 2, The Haliburton Sculpture Forest welcomed the Grove Collective to explore the forest through improvised dance and movement, as an open rehearsal, called Dance in the Trees. The collective's artists are Julia Aplin, (dance), John Gzowski (music), David Langer (video and technology) and Terrill Maguire (dance), each having decades of professional experience in their field. The group's main focus for the day was to collaborate, generate and gather specific ideas for a future artists' residency in the Haliburton Sculpture Forest. Visitors to the Sculpture Forest that day were treated to pop-up performances of interpretative dance, music and movement while the artists engaged with the sculptures.

Following an afternoon of dance and exploration in the trees, the Grove Collective led a "Meet and Greet" at the Haliburton Museum, where community animators, presenters and performers shared ideas for a possible collaborative project in the future. Participants in the sharing session included representatives from the Municipality of Dysart et al, Haliburton School of Art + Design, Abbey Gardens, Point In Time, Razzamataz, The Skyline Dance Studio, and the Haliburton Home School Program.

Tiptap arrives in Haliburton **Sculpture Forest**

The Haliburton Sculpture Forest has already welcomed thousands of visitors this summer! Just recently a Tiptap panel was installed at the information kiosk at the entrance to the Sculpture Forest, making it easier for all visitors to make a donation.

With Tiptap visitors can use their credit or debit card and hold it over one of the donation panels. They can choose to donate \$20, \$10, or \$5. The transaction is auto-

The Tiptap panel is powered by solar energy and is the first of its kind in our area. The installation of the solar panel and charging system was generously provided by Haliburton Wind and Solar. We welcome you to come and explore the new sculptures and art huts. Your donation on Tiptap or the cash donation box helps make the Sculpture Forest possible.

Wild Bee-Making Bee Returns to the Sculpture Forest

Charmaine Lurch, artist in residence, will return to the Sculpture Forest on Aug. 21 to Aug. 25 to work with community members to create wire sculptures of wild bees which will be installed in the Sculpture Forest at the end of the week. Earlier this summer, in June, Charmaine worked with community members under the big tent at the Haliburton School of Art + Design. Participants worked on creating wire armatures for the wings and began wrapping the wire bees using specific colours for each species of bee. This summer we are celebrating pollinators in our forest and Charmaine will share her wealth of knowledge of wild bees with participants. This will be a fun, community art project!

To join the bee-making bee you can sign up by visiting our website www.haliburtonsculptureforest.ca or just drop by. Come for a few hours, for a day. A couple of days or for the whole week.

For more information: info@haliburtonsculpturefor-

www.haliburtonsculptureforest.ca/events-1/bee-making-bee-with-charmaine-lurch

Submitted by the Haliburton Sculpture Forest

RMP Power Boat Races returning this weekend

The RPM Outboard Power Boat Races are returning to Head Lake Park in Haliburton on Saturday, Aug. 19 with a meet and greet with racers on Friday, Aug. 18. Hosted by the Toronto Outboard Racing Club, Hydro, T-boats and Run-abouts run an oval circuit race competing for points at speeds from 30 mph up to 85 mph. Non-perishable food items will be collected at the Hospital Auxilliary booth and Till Death Food Truck will be serving from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Local racer Andrea Hammond is pictured at the start of last year's race. /FILE





Notice (Applicant - Guiler/Aubin)

In the matter of the Municipal Act and in the matter of a proposed By-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East to close, stop-up and convey certain portions of a Shore Road Allowance along the shore of Koshlong Lake, more particularly hereinafter described.

Notice Is Hereby Given, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at a virtual meeting on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

> Firstly: Part of Lot 8, Concession 15, Designated as Road Allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to H20431 on Plan of Survey 19R-10839, made by Bishop Geyer Surveying Inc. completed October 14, 2022.

> Secondly: Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 8, Concession 15 on Plan of Survey 19R-10839, made by Bishop Geyer Surveying Inc. completed October 14, 2022.

The Plan of Survey 19R-10839 is available to you for inspection by you making an appointment at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus. If you wish to attend the virtual meeting, please call or e-mail the Municipal Clerk prior to the day of the public meeting so you can be provided with a link or phone number for the meeting. If you do not have the capability to attend a virtual meeting, please provide written comments to the Municipal Clerk prior to the public meeting.

Any person or his or her counsel, solicitor or agent who attends the virtual meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to make representations in respect of the within matter.

And Take Further Notice that if the public wishes to participate regarding the purchase of Part of the Shoreline Road Allowance please contact the Municipal Clerk.

Dated at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 8th day of August, 2023.

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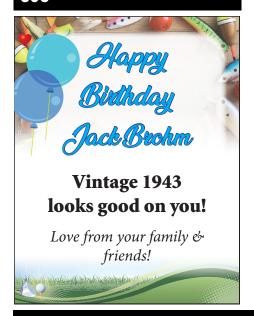
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The family of the late Robert "TIM" Casey would like to express their sincere thank you's to the staff at the Minden Emergency Department and at the Haliburton Hospital who took great care of Tim for the short while he was there. To his oncologist DR. SHIM and all the cancer care staff at PRHC, we thank you! To the Haliburton Community Funeral Home, thank you for all your help with the arrangements and the service, it was exactly what Tim would have wanted. We would also like to thank the Masonic Lodge for their service and the presentation of the jewel as well.

To our friends and family who reached out, sent food, cards, flowers, your generous donations made, and your thoughtfulness did not go unnoticed, and was greatly appreciated by the family. Tim was taken from us far too soon as he still had a lot of life to live. He has taught us to hold onto life and to live every day to its fullest, because you never know when your day is coming. Tim was always an "it is what it is" kind of guy and never got too excited about anything, and he lived up to that every day.

Remember life's a dance, you learn as you go!

Again, thank you from Lornell and family!





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Community FUNERAL HOME

Wade MacInnes

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

It is with profound sadness that the family of Wade MacInnes shares the news of his passing. Wade passed away peacefully at Haliburton Hospital in the evening of Tuesday, August 8th holding the hand of the love of his life, best friend and greatest support, his wife Julie MacInnes (nee Stamp). Wade was the most loving and supportive Father to Shawn MacInnes

(Miranda), Jade (Luke), and Donovan MacInnes (Mia). Dear brother of Jennifer (Ed), Darren (Rose), Jeanette (Drew) and Dwayne (Jacquie). Predeceased by his parents Angus & Myrna MacInnes and his brother Michael.

Nothing filled Wade with more pride than wholeheartedly embracing his role as Grandpa to his four beautiful grandsons, Leon and Cade, Jack and Connor. He also had a special place in his heart and found great comfort in the company of Indy. For the entirety of Wade's battle with lung cancer, he continued living with a positive outlook, expressing gratitude for the time he had to spend with his family and focusing on strengthening his already strong faith. Since his diagnosis this past February, he has been surrounded by his loving family every step of the

Wade spent his life working hard and raising his family in Haliburton. A Community in which he loved, believed in and dedicated so much of himself to over the years through his volunteer efforts with Haliburton Minor Hockey in hopes of helping Haliburton to continue to be a great place to live for children, youth and families. Wade will be remembered by family and close friends as incredibly hard-working, kind, compassionate, an entertaining storyteller and a die-hard Toronto Maple Leafs fan. He will be so fondly remembered and so greatly missed

Visitation & Funeral Service

Family and Friends were invited to visit Wade's family at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523, Hwy.#118 Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Saturday afternoon, August 12, 2023 from 1-4 p.m. A Funeral Service was held Sunday afternoon, August 13, 2023, at 1 o'clock. (Visitation one hour prior). Interment later Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As an expression of sympathy, donations to the Pregnancy Care & Family Support Centre or Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the

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In Loving Memory of

Earle Laverne Sisson

Passed away peacefully at home with his family by his side on Saturday, August 12, 2023 after a short battle with brain cancer, in his 82nd year.

Beloved husband of Louise Sisson (nee Buechler) for 57 years. Loving father of Ernie (Stacy) Warrack, Karen (Peter) Jennings, Robin (Paul) Sisson-Hessell. Loving grandpa of Nicole, Andrew (Olivia), Matthew, Jennifer, Morgan (Taylor),

Hayden (Brittani) and great grandpa to Cooper, Chance and Chet. Dear brother of his twin sister Eleanor and predeceased by brothers Bernard, Byron, Blaine and by sisters Helen, Iris, Irma, Aldyth. Survived by sisters-in-law Carol Lee, Diane and predeceased by Lillibet. Lovingly remembered by his family and friends.

Earle took great pride in serving his community as a volunteer board member and then chair of the Dysart Planning Committee, as a board member and then chair of the Haliburton County Land Division Committee and as a board member and then chair of the Haliburton Community Housing Corporation where he worked hard to provide additional affordable housing in the village of Haliburton. Earle loved to fish and to hunt and family life revolved around whatever fish or animal season it was. He strived to rub some of this 'passion' off onto the younger family fishermen and hunters. His joy was to walk and/or to snowshoe the trails at home and to hike his property in West Guilford.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Road, P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Wednesday from 4:00 until 7:00 pm. A Funeral Service to Celebrate Earle's Life will be held in the chapel on Thursday, August 17, 2023 at 11:00 am. Reception to follow in the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the funeral home. Interment to follow at St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery.

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highland Outdoor Association Fish Hatchery (cheques only), Abbey Retreat Centre or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation - Cat Scan (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family.



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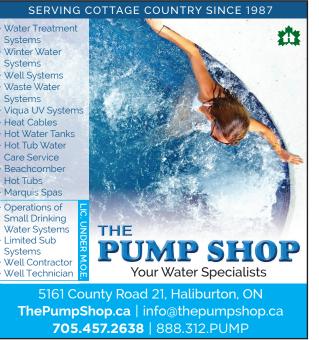
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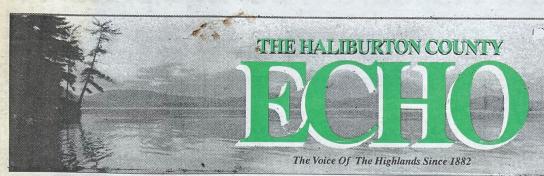
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Pair escapes Maple Lake ultralight plane crash unharmed

by PETER DOWNS Staff Reporter

Boaters and anglers enjoying themselves on the calm waters of Maple Lake Sunday morning watched in shock as an ultralight aircraft coming in for a landing crashed into the lake.

The two Toronto area men flying in the two-seater plane nar-rowly escaped injury after being trapped upside down briefly in

e wreckage. Pilot Jim Shaw Mississauga, said he was attempting to land the plane which he built with passenger Don Popplow of Brampton — on the lake when it lost power, plunged into the water and flipped over.

The two men were flying from Shaw's Severn River cottage for a fly-in at nearby Stanhope

As nearby boaters rushed to the scene, Shaw, 48, and Popplow, 46, were able to unlock their seat belts and extricate themselves from the float-

ing wreckage.
Neither of the men sustained injuries in the 10:15 a.m. crash.

Maple Lake cottager Mark Adam, 17, was one of the first boaters to reach the crumpled aircraft in the water. He had been watching the plane as it flew in from the south end of the

'They didn't look like they were coming in really well. The plane was kind of wobbly. They came in over the lake and then just nose-dived," he said from his boat as others tried to right the plane and drag it out of the

"It surprised me," he said. "As soon as I saw it hit, I took off over there."

By the time he reached the crash site, the two men were already out of the wreckage and

treading water beside it.

Maple Lake cottager Bill Binsted was watching the plane fly above the lake as he fished from his boat.

"It looked like right at the last minute the pilot tried to abort the landing," he said. "The plane's nose went up, its right wing dipped and it dived right into the water."

Binsted said he hurried over to the fallen plane and tried to help its two passengers.

"I offered one of them my life jacket, but he didn't want it. He wasn't interested in anything but the plane," he said.

Two other boaters towed the badly damaged plane into the shallow water at Lochaven Inn, as curious guests and cottagers watched the action from the

It took several men, including

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HOW DID IT HAPPEN? A wet pilot, Jim Shaw, warms up as he describes what happened to Minden OPP Const. Boyd Jarvis after a Stanhope firefighter takes his blood pressure.

CELEBRATING THE OLYMPIC SPIRIT



Lesley Tashlin basked in the warm applause of the "thousands of people" lining Haliburton's main street for Wednesday night's Rotary Carnival Parade. Home in Haliburton for a few days after the Atlanta Olympics, the 27-year-old former HHSS track star was the special guest of the parade which celebrated the Olympic spirit (and created a mini revival of the ancient Greek toga.) For a feature on Tashlin, please see page 16. Rotary Mile is on page 14; carnival pictures on page 21.

Round-the-clock coverage spreads OPP presence thin

by PETER DOWNS Staff Reporter

Despite the large increase in the area's seasonal population, fewer OPP officers are patrolling Haliburton County per shift this summer than were on the streets six months ago.

And the decrease has got some members of local community police support groups worried the county isn't receiving an adequate level of protection.

John Goverde, president of the ilbertorce Community Policing Association, said many other police support volunteers echoed his concerns at a recent zone meeting.

'It came out quite clear that everyone is upset because

nobody can see any officers around anymore," he said.
Goverde provided The Echo with OPP shift schedules, indicating a significant drop in the number of officers on duty per shift during June compared to January.

But contrary to a misconception held by some, the decline has nothing to do with the OPP's recent decision to amalgamate Coboconk, said Staff Sergeant Andy Millar.

The reduction in officers per

shift is a direct result of the force's decision a few months ago to increase its coverage to 24 hours from 20 hours at its Minden and Coboconk bases, he

Because the OPP is now operating four more hours per day — in two 12-hour shifts — with the same number of officers, it has no option but to schedule fewer constables per shift, Millar explained.

"I guess it would be difficult its Minden and Coboconk to argue that when you move to detachments, centralizing 24-hour coverage that you don't administrative operations in spread yourself a little thin," he

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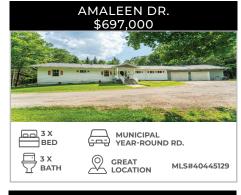










































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